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**APRIL 2019** 

PROUD WINNERS show off their trophies at last year's KofC Golf Tournament.

# Council golf tournament returns to Tijeras Creek course on June 30

The 2019 version of the Bishop Johnson Council Charity Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, June 30 at Tijeras Creek Golf Club

in Rancho Santa Margarita. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Council 9487, the event is open to all parishioners, men and women. There's a husband and wife or male/female team format.

The tournament begins with a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start.

A ball drop for \$10/ball is planned. The winner need not be present.

Send tournament coordinatorAl Gamarra an e-mail <u>at</u> adgamarra@ gmail.com to volunteer at the event.



There will be raffles, prizes, putting contest and much more.

Volunteers will be needed to man the sign-up table outside of Masses starting six weeks before the tournament, and obviously at the event itself.

Brother Al is looking for someone who can take

photos at the tournament If you have any questions please contact Al.

Watch for upcoming emails for more details.



# GK Report New Easter season in full bloom

#### By Bob Kupfert, Grand Knight

Hello my brothers! The month of April brings Easter Sunday, the biggest celebration for all Christians. Easter falls on on April 21 this year. Our Council is hosting a Lent-

en Dinner from 6-8 p.m. on Good Friday, April 19 with Clam Chowder/ Fish Soup, Bread and Salad.



We will need help cooking, serving and cleaning up. The Stations of the Cross will be happening at the church at 6 p.m.on Good Friday. Brother Mike Ulibarri again will be organizing and coordinating efforts for the dinner.

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Our Council hosted a recruitment drive March 23- 24. We have interest from nine potential candidates as a result of our efforts. I thank Bro. Ricardo Teano and all who helped with this drive and

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## Knight of the Month Tony Gionet-Gonzales

#### by Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee

Anthony Gionet-Gonzales is the picture of helpfulness and reliability. He and wife, Denise, taught Religious Education as teenagers. Tony helped as Altar Server and in Music Ministry. Tony and Denise met at SEARCH, a Catholic Retreat and Youth Group and got married in Holy Family Cathedral.

A Fourth Degree Knight since 2009, Tony is a big help during Saturday and Monday morning recycling along with his handy truck.

Daughter Marissa graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor's Degree in Bio-Engineering. She won a National Science Foundation Scholarship for her graduate studies. Marissa is now a third year student in her PHD in Biomedical Engineering at UC Davis. She was a volunteer at Lake Forest Nursing Home, Tootsie Roll Drive, and recycling.

Daughter Julia is attending UC Merced with a cross country scholarship. She is the school's top runner, holds an Internship for the Dept of Sustainability, attends Bible Studies and is in three engineering clubs on campus.

She has helped as altar server, recycling, assisted in Youth Ministry and Vacation Bible Study. She donated her hair to Children without hair organization. The Brotherhood and great things that the Knights do, inspire Tony to become active and closer to Jesus.

Congratulations, Tony.

## Family of the Month Bob and Lisa Durham

This is one family so involved in church and Council activities that it would take several pages to list their contributions. Let us honor Bob and Lisa Durham, the chosen Family of the Month.

Bob is a Second Degree Knight of three years, and retired police officer. Lisa is a convert and received her First Communion on their wedding day.

Their 35 years of blessed marriage is substantiated as presenters of Marriage Encounter Weekends and are available to attendees. They presented one in February and have another planned in July.

Bob made and passed out sandwiches at the Special Olympics recently with DD Mike Sofka, fried the fish and fries at the recent Friday Lenten dinner, helped with recycling by tearing books, took down church Christmas decoration, sold mistletoe, doughnuts after Mass, and cleaned up after



Bob Durham (I) made and handed out sandwiches to Special Olympics Athletes with Mike and Jean Sofka and Jose Lopez

#### council events.

On his own, he is a driving instructor for Teen Road to Safety in Santa Margarita and attends Bible

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## Remember?

This photo is from the formation of the Santiago de Compostela Assembly 2305, courtesy of PGK and Past Faithful Navigator John Ruelas. Can you name any of the members from our Council? Your may also may know Wes Robideau, and Joe Krochmalny. Where are they now? If you know any of the other 4th Degree Brothers then please write to us. – JOhn Ojeda

## Corporate Communion banquet set for April 28

#### by Michael Klett, PGK

Bishop William R. Johnson Knights of Columbus Council 9487 will celebrate its fourth annual Corporate Communion Banquet April 28.

The banquet will begin with 8:30 a.m. Mass with the Knights and their families sitting together on the left side of the church in front of the council banner.

After Mass the group will move to the Parish Hall for a breakfast catered by the Corner Bakery.

PGK Brother John Piccolo will be the keynote speaker.

Grand Knight Bob Kupfert will be handing out the annual awards.

This is an opportunity to celebrate all that the Knights are and you are encouraged to attend and bring your family.



John Piccolo, PGK

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wore their Green 9487 Polo Shirts. We welcome all new members to our group.

The April 27-28 weekend has several big events coming. Saturday, the 27th is the Day of Sharing. We will sponsor a game booth all day for the Intellectually Disabled kids and families coming to enjoy the day dedicated to them.

More details are coming at the general meeting on April 3.To help at our game booth, just let me Degree ceremony hosted or Brother Bernie Laituri know, and we will get you Council Brother Mike

on the list.

Our Council 9487 Corporate Communion Breakfast is scheduled April 28. We will attend Mass at 8:30 a.m. then have a catered brunch hosted by our Council. Be sure to attend since several awards will be passed out. We will have a keynote speaker coming this year and some special dignitaries attending. Bro. Mike Klett is coordinator.

That same day, a Third by District Deputy and

Drive recruits nine pledges by Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee The March 23-24 recruitment blitz was a major

success. Three candidates who wanted to join soon signed the Form 100, and wanted to be contacted for more information.

Helping recruit were Knights Stan Banash, Dave Atkins, Vince Vasquez, Al Gamarra, Roger Sonnenfeld and Wayne Ellis.

Thanks to Fr. Stephen who made a special effort to engage more Caballeros de Colon, signed up for more information.

At the 8:30 mass, many brothers were dressed in their green shirts and green jackets and ready for for a group picture taking for the 40th Anniversary Commemorative Book. Unwittingly, it served the purpose to attract new recruits to the Council.

> Sofka is planned. Those ready to advance to the next level should let us know and we will get you on the attendee list. We welcome any sideliners who can attend as witnesses.

Our golf tournament is on June 30. Bro. Al Gamarra is organizing his committee and we will start offering sign-ups and tickets for a helicopter ball drop. Now that the spring days have more daylight, it's a good chance to spend time with your golf clubs. I wish all a Blessed Easter

## 2019 Knights of Columbus, Bishop Johnson Council Charity Golf Tournament

Sunday June 30, 2019 Registration at 11:30AM Shotgun Start @ 1pm

Tijeras Creek Golf Club (tijerascreek.com)

29082 Tijeras Creek, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688S (949) 589-9793

## Hosted by the Santiago de Compostela Church, Knights of Columbus Council 9487, the tournament raises funds for supported charities such as:

- Special Olympics (www.sosc.org)
- Intellectual Disability (ID) fund: Since 1980, the Knights of Columbus at all levels have provided more than \$375 million to help *t*hose with physical and mental disabilities
- Mary's Shelter SoCal maternity home for pregnant teens and their babies (maryspath.org)
- Obria Health Clinics (obria.org)

Visit our event web site to register, for sponsorship details or to buy an entry into the helicopter ball drop fundraiser:

• kofc9487.accelraising.com/event

#### <u>\$145 fee per person includes:</u>

- Golf and cart
- One entry into helicopter ball drop (extra tickets available for \$10 each; grand prize will be up to \$500 or 10% of the total ball drop sales)
- Grilled Tri-Tip Dinner and Awards Banquet (extra dinners available for \$35.00 per person)
- Prizes for low net score and challenge holes

#### **Tournament Details:**

- Registration starts at 11:30am
- Shotgun start at 1pm
- Helicopter ball drop at 6:30pm followed by Dinner
- Putting Contest and Challenge Holes; 50/50 Drawing, Raffle
- Open to all players youth, men and woman players (e.g. Husband/Wife, Male/Female Teams Welcome)

#### **Sponsor Opportunities:**

- Hole and Tee sponsors, \$125 minimum per hole (please email sign details)
- Prize or cash donations also accepted, for charitable purposes, Tax ID is 33-0218147

#### Volunteers

Please call or email Al Gamarra at 714-697-8322 (adgamarra@gmail.com)

#### Or if you prefer mail the form below and check made out to 'Knights of Columbus'

Al Gamarra

22241 Clearbrook, Mission Viejo, CA 92692

## Foursome (include names/emails and cell phone number for foursome leader)

1. Leader: 2.

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# **Council will support the Walk for Kids on April 7**

We recently decided to participate in the Walk for Kids on Sunday, Apr 7th, 2019. Please consider supporting us. The money we raise will go to support the childreand families served by Orange County Ronald McDonald House.

Santiago de Compostela and ours Council 9487 has been a longtime supporter of Ronald McDonald House Charities through their pop top collection program.

We are raising this money in memory of many of our Brother Knights who have passed on and set the example of charity which is one of our guiding principles at our Church and Council. Please help us to increase our support by joining us on on our fundraising walk or with whatever donation you can make to the 2019 Walk for Kids.

With your support, we can continue to provide families from next door and all over the world with a place to stay while their child is receiving treatment or emergency care at one of our local hospital. The funds you have raised for the Walk for Kids will offer hope, comfort, and support to thousands of families who are facing a desperate time of need.

- Leif and Bonnie Ranestad and Al and Karen Gamarra



## Tuition assistance for students is available again



If you have a child or grandchild that has attended a Catholic pre-school, grade school, or high school during the current Columbian Year or a Catholic college or university during any part of the year, you may be entitled to scholarship help from the council.

Please have the student provide a brief letter describing his/her experience and a letter from the Knight parent/grandparent to the scholarship chairman or any officer of the council.

These letters must be received by May 15. Checks will be available following the June 5 meeting.

- Ken Allen, PGK, kenallenfh@att.net

# **FAMILY**

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Santa Margarita and attends Bible Study with Lisa on Wednesdays.

Children KC and Grady were altar servers and served until the week before they departed for college. KC, 25, graduated from Notre Dame on an athletic scholarship.

At El Toro, he was athlete of the year.

Grady, 23, attends Colorado State. At El Toro, he played football and track and was in the wind ensemble. He is in the Air Force ROTC program.

Meghan, 30, works in public relations for the NCAA in Indianapolis.

She attended Michigan State and holds a degree in Communications.

Despite his many contributions, Bob said he did not feel worthy of the monthly award.

-Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee

Gene Ganley Memorial Recycling Report



# Another good month with \$1,501 raised

### by George Nothhelfer, Recycle Chairman

**News Worthy Events:** February was an good month (\$1,501). We ask for one Saturday (second of the month for participation), to share with your brothers and others.

This is not for us but many charities that benefit. This is what we as good Catholic men are asked to do. Thanks to Bob Morgan and his delicious chili after our recycling on Saturday.

We are looking for a few good men and women to assist us on the Monday morning recycle this consists of sorting or recyclable



materials and walking a park (good morning exercise), to load the trucks. It requires no heavy lifting. Depending on the number of people it can take up to two hours, but if we have the people, it can be reduced to an hour. Anyone who t is retired please consider this small task of charity to others.

We need someone with a truck to step up and help on Monday Mornings: The *greatest* need is for someone who has a truck and would be willing to pick-up at one of the parks. We could use you as a

standby for someone who is unable to do the route and you could cover for him. This would require you to meet at the park at 7 a.m. and finish by 9 at the latest. We are considering pick-up at another park so this could be a regular route.

**High-grade paper and architectural drawings:** We are doing very well with the architectural drawings and they generate a lot of our revenues. Please let us know if you have a contact with an architectural firm. We are very grateful for Anna Martinez and all the architectural drawings that her company has donated.

**Ronald McDonald House:** We are grateful to all who helped with the tabs for Ronald McDonald House. Many benefit from the cause.

**Next recycle weekend** is Saturday, April 13, so come and enjoy your rother Knights' company. See you there for coffee and doughnuts, a good time for all. If only for an hour, any help is appreciated. We conclude with refreshments that are well deserved.

**Special thanks:** To our Monday morning crew for all the dedication and extra hours to make the program a success. Also, to those who help dump glass on Thursdays. Without you, it would be difficult. Remember this is not for themselves, but for all of the council and those charities we support.

**Those who participated:** We appreciate all those that came on Saturday who made the program a success: Gerry Dubois, Richard Mills, Bob Morgan, Pete Kellen, Al Gamarra, Bonnie and Leif Ranestad, Ricardo Teano, Ken Breneman, John Ojeda, John Osley, George Nothhelfer, Tom Sixthsmith, Pat Larkin, Don Blankenship, Chris Hudnall, Stewart Imagawa, Domingo Roland, Enrique Oliver, Roy Reyes, Joe Merchant, Mike Sofka, Raul Mojica, Joseph Lozano, Joe DeProspero, Bob Birtja, Kevin Mooney, Mathew Eneim, Brandon Eneim, Anthony Gonzales, Sebrina Fredelnces, Hamalin Bernardo, Jenny Segura, Joel and Raul Mojica, Glenn Seamark.

## *Monday Volunteers*

Roger and Mo Boivin, Jay and Joan Donahue, Gerry Dubois, Hector and Cindy Guzman, Bob Morgan, John Ojeda, Dan Ramella, Ricardo Teano, Otis Givenrod, Glenn Seamark, Joe Schulte, Stewart Imagawa, John Boegeman, Mike McCormack, George Nothhelfer, Alfonso Lopez, Tony Gionet-Gonzalez, Bert Dubois, Julio Martinez, Ronnie Almero, Nancy Tremaine, Domingo Roldan, Manny Rios, Bob Birtja, Barbara Ciolek, John Ruelas, Doug Culmer, Paul Tran, Alberto Lopez, Kevin Mooney, Dave Carey-Zuniga, John Freeman, David Castillo, Ian Tennant, Dick Mellen, Angel Garcia, Ed Enriquez. - George Nothhelfer



# March 7 Program Minutes

## BY KEN BRENEMAN, RECORDER

## Grand Knight's Report (GK Kupfert):

• The March charity box is for SDC's St. Vincent de Paul Society.

• GK attended the February OC Chapter meeting. The chapter thanked the council for hosting Clergy Night 2019. \$2,500 was raised by auctioning off the centerpieces and donating the funds to a seminarian fund. The council is declining to host Clergy Night next year. The Chapter is currently taking bids to host Clergy Night 2020.

• Relics of several saints and martyrs, including St. Junípero Serra, will tour the parishes of the Diocese of Orange prior to being installed in the Christ Cathedral altar. Bishop Kevin Vann is requesting the Knights guard the relics at the various stops.

• KofC State Convention is May 17-19. GK Kupfert cannot attend, but DGK Vince Vasquez and PGK Pat Larkin will. he council needs one or two more representatives.

## Outside Communication (Financial Secretary Ojeda):

• A letter from Bro. Tom Collins (OC Chapter) thanking the council for sponsoring a table at the Day of Sharing charity Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament on March 1.

• A letter from George and Joann Nothhelfer thanking members of the council for their thoughts and prayers. Bro. George's mother-in-law passed away recently.

• A card from the Ronald McDonald House thanking the Council for its donations.

• A letter from St. Michael's Abbey, and another from one of the seminarians, thanking the council for its recent donations to seminarians.

• Letter from the Gary Sinise Foundation thanking the council for its recent donation (January charity box).

## Report of Committees (DGK Vasquez):

• Casino Night (Bro. Mike Ulibarri) was held March 2. Thank you to all the sponsors, volunteers and everyone who attended.

• Lenten Dinners (Bro. Mike Ulibarri). The first oner was held March 8. Thank you to everyone who donated or volunteered, especially Bro. Stephen Wright, who provided all the fish. The council will host another dinner April 19, (Good Friday) with fish bouillabaisse and clam chowder

• Hospitality Ministry (Bro. Ben Niewinski): Thank you to everyone who helped at the Ash Wednesday services. Bro. Ben is preparing a Hospitality Ministry training manual.

• SDC Patio Update (PGK John Blaney). lans had to be resubmitted to the city as the permit ran out. The city responded with two pages of comments/questions which are being addressed. Hope-fully by the next general meeting work will have begun.

• Scholarships (PGK Ken Allen):

If you have a child or grandchild who attends a Catholic school, they are eligible for this scholarship. Applications are due May 15. Contact Bro. Ken for details.

• Golf Tournament (Bro. Al Gamarra): Sunday, June 30 at Tijeras Creek Golf Club. Volunteers will be needed to man the sign-up table outside of Masses starting six weeks before the tournament, and obviously at the event itself. Bro. Al is looking for someone who can take photos at the tournament.

## Worthy Guests & Dignitaries Present (GK Larkin):

• Council Charter GK, PGK Dick Gregg







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